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V	Designation of States		
V-1	Regional Patent (other kinds of protection or treatment, if any, are specified between parentheses after the designation(s) concerned)	AP: GH GM KE LS MW MZ SD SL SZ TZ UG ZM ZW and any other State which is a Contracting State of the Harare Protocol and of the PCT  EA: AM AZ BY KG KZ MD RU TJ TM and any other State which is a Contracting State of the Eurasian Patent Convention and of the PCT  EP: AT BE BG CH&LI CY CZ DE DK EE ES FI FR GB GR HU IE IT LU MC NL PT RO SE SI SK TR and any other State which is a Contracting State of the European Patent Convention and of the PCT  OA: BF BJ CF CG CI CM GA GN GQ GW ML MR NE SN TD TG and any other State which is a member State of OAPI and a Contracting State of the PCT	
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V-5	Precautionary Designation Statement	
	In addition to the designations made	
	under items V-1, V-2 and V-3, the	
	applicant also makes under Rule 4.9(b)	
	all designations which would be permitted under the PCT except any	
	designation(s) of the State(s) indicated	
	under item V-6 below. The applicant	
	declares that those additional	
	designations are subject to confirmation and that any designation which is not	
	confirmed before the expiration of 15	
	months from the priority date is to be	
	regarded as withdrawn by the applicant	
V-6 <sup>i</sup>	at the expiration of that time limit.	
	Exclusion(s) from precautionary designations	NONE
VI-1	Priority claim of earlier national	
VI-1-1	application Filing date	00 7 0000 (00 05 0000)
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VI-1-2	Number	60/392,736
VI-1-3	Country	ບຣ
VI-2	Priority claim of earlier national	
VI-2-1	application Filing date	
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VI-2-3	Country	US
VI-3	Priority claim of earlier national	
VI-3-1	application Filing date	20.
		30 August 2002 (30.08.2002)
VI-3-2	Number	60/407,459
VI-3-3	Country	US
VII-1	International Searching Authority Chosen	European Patent Office (EPO) (ISA/EP)
VIII	Declarations	Number of declarations
VIII-1	Declaration as to the identity of the inventor	-
VIII-2	Declaration as to the applicant's	_
	entitlement, as at the international filing	
	date, to apply for and be granted a	
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	date, to claim the priority of the earlier	
	application	
VIII-4	Declaration of inventorship (only for the	-
	purposes of the designation of the United States of America)	
VIII-5	Declaration as to non-prejudicial	_
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X-8	Fee calculation sheet	<b>/</b>	-
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X-20	Language of filing of the international application	English	
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10-2	Drawings:	
10-2-1	Received	
10-2-2	Not received	
10-3	Corrected date of actual receipt due to later but timely received papers or drawings completing the purported international application	
10-4	Date of timely receipt of the required corrections under PCT Article 11(2)	
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10-6	Transmittal of search copy delayed until search fee is paid	

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